



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In application of:

Richard N. ELLSON et al.

Confirmation No.: 8767

Serial No.: 09/751,231

Group Art Unit: 1639

Filing Date: December 29, 2000

Examiner: My Chau T. Tran

Title: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR TRACKING CONDITIONS IN AN ASSAY

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested in order to respond to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2005:

- Three months to February 24, 2006. The extension fee is:
 - \$510 for a small entity.
- A check to cover the \$510.00 extension fee is attached.

In response to the Office Action, a divisional application is being filed today. The current application is being abandoned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-0580.

Respectfully submitted,

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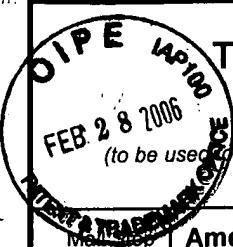
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**TRANSMITTAL
FORM**
(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)

Amendment

Application Number	09/751,231
Filing Date	December 29, 2000
First Named Inventor	Richard N. ELLSON
Art Unit	1639
Examiner Name	My Chau T. Tran
Attorney Docket Number	7610-0040

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)

No fee due
 Fee(s) due: \$ 510.00
 Check enclosed

- Charge Deposit Account No. 18-0580
- 37 CFR § 1.16
- 37 CFR § 1.17

 The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0580
 Return postcard
 Amendment/Response

- After Final
- Affidavits/declaration(s) - Affidavits/declaration(s)

 3-Month Extension of Time

Terminal Disclaimer
 Information Disclosure Statement & PTO-1449 Form(s)

- Cited reference copy(ies)

 Response to Missing Parts / Incomplete Application

- Declaration(s) by Inventor(s)

 Preliminary Amendment
 Updated Application Data Sheet
 Drawing(s) - Sheets
 Compact Disk(s) - CD(s)
 Petition
 Power of Attorney & Address Indication Form

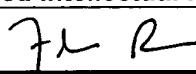
Revocation of & New Power of Attorney, Address Indication Form
 Request for Refund
 After Allowance Communication to a Technology Center (TC)
 Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
 Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
 Other Enclosure(s) (see remarks):

Claim Count

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REMARKS
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

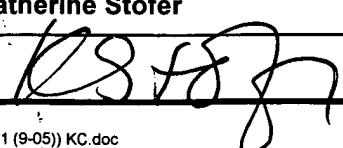
Firm or Individual Name (print/type) **Flavio M. Rose, Reg. No. 40,791**
Reed Intellectual Property Law Group Telephone **(650) 251-7700**

Signature  Date **February 24, 2006**

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below.

Name (print/type) **Katherine Stofer**

Signature  Date **February 24, 2006**

